

M E M O R A N D U M

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TO: Substance Abuse Treatment Programs

FR: Kris Storbeck, Treatment Services Administrator

RE: ASAM Training

The ND Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services is offering ASAM training by Bob Melson.

The training objective is to train treatment counselors to use the ASAM six dimensions which are: To effectively define issues facing the clients; to rate each client in each dimension to assure focus of treatment in addressing the most important areas of the individual's life; to use and understand the continuous assessment process to effectively help clients move toward recovery; and to write individualized treatment plans, in each dimension using resources efficiently. Those of you who have the ASAM book will need to bring it along.

The training is offered 8:30AM - 4:00 PM at the following dates and locations:

June 20th, 2006 - Grand Forks Hilton Garden, 4301 James Ray Drive, 701-775-6000

June 21, 2006 - Jamestown Quality Inn and Suites, 507 25th Street SW, 701-252-3611

June 23rd, 2006 - Bismarck Comfort Inn & Suites, 1030 Interstate Ave, 701-223-1911

This will be a six-hour training session with a short lunch break (on your own). A block of rooms is reserved for 10 days prior to each training. Trainings are limited to 50 participants per training so early registration is encouraged. (LAC's have priority).

You can register by calling Kathy Erhardt at 701-328-8920 or soerhk@nd.gov.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 701-328-8982 or sostok@nd.gov.